Department of Labor, transmitting the Department's final rule — Operating Instructions for Implementing the Amendments to the Trade Act of 1974 Enacted by the Trade Act of 2002 — received November 19, 2002, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Ways and Means.

10211. A letter from the United States Trade Representative, Executive Office of the President, transmitting notification that the President intends to initiate negotiations for a free trade agreement with Australia; to the Committee on Ways and Means

10212. A letter from the Chief, Regulations Unit, Internal Revenue Service, transmitting the Service's final rule — Determination of Issue Price in the Case of Certain Debt Instruments Issued for Property (Rev. Rul. 2002-81) received November 21, 2002, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Wavs and Means.

10213. A letter from the Chief, Regulations Unit, Internal Revenue Service, transmitting the Service's final rule — Treatment of Loans with Below-Market Interest Rates (Rev. Rul. 2002-78) received November 21, 2002, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Ways and Means.

10214. A letter from the Chief, Regulations Unit, Internal Revenue Service, transmitting the Service's final rule — Imposition of Tax (Rev. Rul. 2002-76) received November 21, 2002, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Ways and Means.

10215. A letter from the Chief, Regulations Unit, Internal Revenue Service, transmitting the Service's final rule — Special Rules for Certain Transactions Where Stated Principal Amount Does Not Exceed \$2,800,000. (Rev. Rul. 2002-79) received November 21, 2002, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Ways and Means.

# REPORTS OF COMMITTEES ON PUBLIC BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS

Under clause 2 of rule XIII, reports of committees were delivered to the Clerk for printing and reference to the proper calendar, as follows:

Mr. BURTON: Committee on Government Reform. H.R. 4187. A bill to amend chapter 22 of title 44, United States Code, popularly known as the Presidential Records Act, to establish procedures for the consideration of claims of constitutionally based privilege against disclosure of Presidential records; with an amendment (Rept. 107–790). Referred to the Committee on the Whole House on the State of the Union.

# PUBLIC BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS

Under clause 2 of rule XII, public bills and resolutions were introduced and severally referred, as follows:

By Mr. THOMAS:

H.R. 5763. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to provide fairness in tax collection procedures and improved administrative efficiency and confidentiality and to reform its penalty and interest provisions; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Mr. ETHERIDGE:

H.R. 5764. A bill to provide for the resolution of certain labor issues relating to the merger of the Metro-North Railroad and the Long Island Rail Road; to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

By Mr. ISRAEL:

H.R. 5765. A bill to promote global efforts to protect biological diversity by protecting the Tongass Rain Forest in the Tongass National Forest, to designate the Duke Island Trumpeter Swan Wilderness Area, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Resources.

#### By Ms. KILPATRICK:

H.R. 5766. A bill to create Federal advertising procurement opportunities for minority business concerns, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Government Reform, and in addition to the Committee on Small Business, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.

#### By Ms. MILLENDER-McDONALD:

H.R. 5767. A bill to accelerate the effective date for the expansion of the adoption tax credit and the adoption assistance programs by 1 year; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Mr. ISRAEL:

H. Con. Res. 521. Concurrent resolution urging the Government of Egypt and other Arab governments not to allow their government-controlled television stations to broadcast any program that lends legitimacy to the Protocols of the Elders of Zion, and for other purposes; to the Committee on International Relations.

## MEMORIALS

Under clause 3 of rule XII,

452. The SPEAKER presented a memorial of the Senate of the State of New Jersey, relative to Senate Resolution No. 77 memorializing the Congress of the United States to support construction of memorial at Gateway National Recreation Area; to the Committee on Resources.

## ADDITIONAL SPONSORS

Under clause 7 of rule XII, sponsors were added to the public bills and resolutions as follows:

H.R. 122: Mr. JEFF MILLER of Florida.

H.R. 1319: Mr. PRICE of North Carolina.

H.R. 1602: Mr. WILSON of South Carolina.

H.R. 1613: Ms. NORTON and Mr. GORDON.

H.R. 1774: Mr. HEFLEY.

H.R. 2380: Mr. BAIRD and Mr. BLUEMNAUER. H.R. 3132: Mr. MENENDEZ and Mr. BOEHLERT.

H.R. 3414: Ms. Lofgren.

H.R. 4646: Ms. Eshoo.

H.R. 4763: Ms. Eshoo and Mr. Quinn.

H.R. 5257: Mr. HEFLEY.

H.R. 5411: Mr. STRICKLAND.

H.R. 5421: Mr. BOOZMAN, Mr. STUPAK, Mrs. JO ANN DAVIS Of Virginia, Mr. PICKERING, Mr. STRICKLAND, Mr. MCINTYRE, Mr. RAMSTAD, Mr. ANDREWS, Mr. GRAHAM, Mr. MOORE, and Mr. GREEN Of Wisconsin.

H.R. 5433. Mr. Ross.

H.R. 5502: Mr. Moran of Virginia and Mr. Smith of Washington.

H.R. 5544: Ms. RIVERS and Mr. KENNEDY of Rhode Island

H.R. 5600: Mr. PALLONE.

H.R. 5644: Ms. WATSON.

H.R. 5649: Mr. PITTS.

 $\rm H.R.~5742;~Mr.~PASCRELL~and~Mr.~SMITH~of~New~Jersey.$ 

H. Con. Res. 164: Mr. MEEHAN.

H. Con. Res. 507: Mr. DREIER, Mr. HERGER, and Mr. KIRK.

# PETITIONS, ETC.

Under clause 3 of rule XII, petitions and papers were laid on the clerk's desk and referred as follows:

94. The SPEAKER presented a petition of the Board of Supervisors of Essex County, New York, relative to Resolution No. 229 petitioning the United States Congress to support an increase in the Federal Medical Assistance Percentage to provide New York counties with medicaid relief; to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

95. Also, a petition of Charles O. Porter, Attorney at Law, a Citizen of Oregon, relative to a Resolution petitioning the Congress of the United States to support a bill entitled "The National Reconciliation Act"; to the Committeeon the Judiciary.

96. Also, a petition of Larry Robinson, a Citizen of Texas, relative to a Resolution petitioning the United States Congress regarding Case No. 97–51099, USDC A–97–CA–453 Larry D. Robinson v. State of Texas; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

97. Also, a petition of the City Council of Galena City, Illinois, relative to Resolution No. 02–28 petitioning the United States Congress to support the construction of a 4-lane highway between Galena and Freeport; to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure